10

<u>CLAIMS</u>

 A method for creating application software comprising the steps of: storing a first set of object models representing data of an application, each object model corresponding to a basic object type;

selecting a subset of service objects from a stored set of service objects each of which can perform a function with respect to data in at least one of the object models; and

defining a flow process representing an order for operation of the subset of service objects.

- 2. The method according to claim 1, wherein the basic object types include:
 - a primitive,
 - a class, and
 - an object array.
- 3. The method according to claim 2, wherein the class object type includes a plurality of attributes, each of which is a basic object type.
- 4. The method according to claim 2, wherein the object array object type includes a plurality of elements, each of the plurality of elements being of a single basic object type.
- 5. The method according to claim 1, wherein at least one of the service objects provides functions with respect to an identified device driver for a resource.
- 6. The method according to claim 1, further comprising the step of creating and storing a set of service objects.
- 7. The method according to claim 6, wherein the creating and storing step includes creating at least one service object which performs different functions depending upon a basic data type of at least one of the object models.

10

5 8. A system for creating application software comprising:

means for storing a first set of object models representing data of an application, each object model corresponding to a basic object type;

a stored set of service objects each of which can perform a function with respect to data in at least one of the object models; and

means for selecting a subset of the stored set of service objects; and
means for defining a flow process representing an order for operation of the subset of
service objects.

- 9. The system according to claim 8, wherein the means for storing includes: means for receiving a application model representing data in the application software; means for classifying each data element in the application model as an object model; and means for storing each object model from the classifying means.
- 10. The system according to claim 8, wherein at least one of the service models can an interface function with at least one resource.
- 11. A system for executing an application program comprising:

 a stored set of object models representing data of the application, each object model corresponding to a basic object type:

a stored set of service objects each of which can perform a function with respect to data in at least one of the object models, wherein the function of a service object is based upon a basic object type of a corresponding object model;

means for determining a basic object type of a corresponding object model upon execution of each of the stored service objects; and

5 means for executing a function of each service object based upon the determined basic object type of a corresponding object model.